

Republic of the Philippines PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF RIZAL Antipolo, Rizal

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 10, S. 2020

AN ORDER IMPOSING A PRICE FREEZE ON BASIC NECESSITIES IN THE PROVINCE OF RIZAL

WHEREAS, Section 16 of R.A. No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, provides that: "xxx General Welfare Clause - Every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as the powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare xxx":

WHEREAS, Section 6 of R. A. No. 7581, otherwise known as the Price Act, states that, "unless otherwise declared by the President, the prices of basic necessities in an area shall automatically be frozen at their prevailing prices or placed under automatic price control whenever xxx (2) The area is declared under an emergency xxx;

WHEREAS, a State of Public Health Emergency in the country and State of Calamity over the entire Luzon was declared by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte due to Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) in order to capacitate government agencies and local government units to immediately act to prevent loss of life, utilize appropriate resources to implement urgent and critical measures to contain or prevent the spread of COVID-19, mitigate its effects and impact to the community and prevent serious disruption of the functioning of the government and community;

WHEREAS, relative thereto, the Local Price Coordinating Council of Rizal (LPCCR) provides Guidelines for the Price Freeze of Basic Necessities for the Province of Rizal with reference on R. A. 7581;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, REBECCA A. YNARES, Governor of the Province of Rizal, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Price Freeze on basic commodities within the Province of Rizal is hereby **ORDERED** to ensure availability of basic necessities and prime commodities at reasonable prices during the above-mentioned declaration of President Rodrigo Roa Duterte.

SECTION 2. All City/Municipal Mayors and Punong Barangays shall conduct price monitoring of basic necessities to prevent panic buying, hoarding and illegal price manipulations.

SECTION 3. Likewise, all City/Municipal Mayors shall conduct a daily price monitoring of basic necessities as enumerated in the Implementing Rules and Regulations of R. A. 7581, within their respective jurisdiction. Daily price monitoring shall be conducted in coordination with the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) branch office in their locality.

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The Local Barangay Officials are tasked to render full assistance and mobilize necessary resources to provide appropriate response and measures to ensure peace and order in times of unusual crowding in retail establishments and supermarkets.

SECTION 4. Any person found committing any act of illegal price manipulations shall be reported to the Department of Trade and Industry for proper imposition of penalty.

SECTION 5. All prior issuances on the Price Freeze Necessities for the Province of Rizal inconsistent with any of the provision stated herewith shall be deemed superseded by this Order.

SECTION 6. This Order shall take effect immediately upon its approval and is being promulgated in the interest of public service.

Issued this 16th day of March 2020, Rizal Provincial Capitol, Antipolo City, Province of Rizal.

REBECCA YNARES